

'WHAT did you kill?' inquired a pedestrian of a man carrying a hammock. 'Time!

'You never saw my hands as dirty as yours,' said a mother to her little girl. 'No but your ma did.' was the prompt reply.

Station.	Barometer reduced to sea level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.		Weather.	Rain during prevailing wind.
				Direction.	Force.		
Bolnisi ...	29.35	83.3	65	SW	2	b	0
Muilla ...	29.35	83.3	65	SW	2	b	0
Hapshong ...	30.18	87.2	85	NNE	1	b	0
Hongkong	30.19	84.6	60	NNE	4	b	0

Shanghai.	30.34	55.6	N	3	o	—
Nacomi.	30.33	—	—	NE	3	—
Wlstock	30.25	5.6	N	3	b	—

AT 10 A.M.—JANUARY 14.

Bolinas.....	30.05	70	NE	1	b	—
Manila.....	29.28	56.1	SW	3	o	—
Hiphong.....	29.25	55.95	ESE	1	ov	—
Hongkong.....	29.27	55.95	NE	2	o	—
Amy.....	29.19	55.5	NW	4	b	—
Shanghai.....	30.42	57.4	N	4	o	—
Nagsaid.....	30.22	—	—	—	—	—
Wlstock.....	30.32	1.4	N	4	o	—

The barometer is steady. Gradients indicate moderate or fresh winds. The temperature is still decreasing.

W. DOBERCK,
Government Astronomer.
Hongkong Observatory, January 14.

1. Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

and tartar, fahrenheit.

3. Intensity is the amount of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 60.

4. Direction or Wind, to two points.

5. Force or Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

6. State of Weather, 1. blue sky, 2. detached clouds, 3. drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, 4. light, lightning, 5. heavy clouds, 6. shower, 7. equally, 8. rain, 9. snow, 10. thunder, 11. visibility, 12. dew (wet).

7. Heat, in inches, tenths and hundredths.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, January 14.

Opium—	New Patna, cash,	602½
„	Old „ „	570
„	New Benares, cash,	597½
„	Old „ „	570
„	Nov Malva, credit,	540
„	Allowance, Tael,	32
„	Old Malva, credit,	550
„	Allowance, Tael,	16

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"	Persian, Paper tied.....	610
"	Allowance, Teels.....	16
Exchange.		
Bank, Wire,	3/6 1/2	
" Demand,	3/6 1/2	
" 30 days' sight,	3/6 1/2	
" 4 months' sight,	3/7 1/2	
Credits,	3/7 1/2	
Documentary 4 months' sight,	3/7 1/2	
India, Wire,	2/0	
" demand,	2/0	
Shanghai, demand,	2/0 1/2	
" 30 days' sight, private 7/5		
Gold Leaf 99 1/2 fine,	\$28.20	
Sovereigns,	\$ 5.56	
Temperature.		
<i>Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises,</i>		
<i>Queen's Road.)</i>		
HONGKONG, January 14.		
BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	30.214
Do.	1 P.M.	30.140
Do.	4 P.M.	'0.120
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.	53
Do.	1 P.M.	59

Do. (value 100)	1. M.	54
Do. Do.	4. M.	54
Do. Maximata	60
Do. Minimum over night		55

Money Orders.

1.—Money Orders can be obtained at Hongkong and Shanghai on the following countries:

* Azores Is.	* Madeira.
* Belgium.	* Mauritius.
* Bermuda.	* Natal.
* Canada.	* Newfoundland.
* Cape Colony.	* New South Wales.
* Ceylon.	* New Zealand.
+ (Constantinople).	* Port Darwin.
* Cyprus.	* Portugal.
* Denmark.	* Queensland.
* Egypt.	* S. Helena.
* Falkland Is.	* Seychelles.
* France.	* Sierra Leone.
* Germany.	* South Australia.
† (Gibraltar).	* Straits Settlements.
* Gold Coast.	* Sweden.
* Holland.	* Switzerland.
* Honduras, (Br.).	* Tasmania.
* Iceland.	* United Kingdom.
* India.	* United States.
* Italy.	* Victoria.
* Japan.	* West Australia.
* Lagos.	* West Indies (British, Danish, and Dutch).

2.—Orders on the Council of India may be forwarded *through* the *London Post Office*, and are paid less a small discount of about 2d. in the £1, for which the remitter should allow. All such orders must be expressed in *British currency*.

3.—The *Hongkong Post Office* also issues orders on *Shanghai*, and *vice versa*.

4.—The *commission charged* is as follows:

drawn in).
Up to £ 2, or \$10, or R. 20,.....0.20 cents.
 " £ 5, or \$25, or £ 50,.....0.40 "
 " £ 7, or \$35, or R. 70,.....0.60 "
 " £10, or \$50, or R. 100,.....0.80 "
 " £150,.....1.50 "
 " No Order must exceed £10 or \$50
(unless drawn on India, when £100 is the
limit), nor will more than two such Orders
be issued to the same person, in favour of
the same payee, by the same mail.
 " Money Orders on the United King-
dom for one not exceeding £25 are granted
by means of Postal Notes, on which see
separate notice or the Hongkong Postal
Guide.
 7.—Sums not exceeding \$50 may be re-
mitted between the Ports of China by
means of Postage Stamps, subject to a
charge of 10 per cent. for cashing them ;
or Money Orders can be given at Hong-
kong or Shanghai on Ports where there are
Agencies of the Hongkong Post Office.
 General Post Office,
 Hongkong, January 1st 1885.
 + Small remittances can be made for these
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F. E. POSTER, Agent.

Hongkong, January 10, 1885.

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